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FM AMEMBASSY TOKYO

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 7706

INFO AMEMBASSY MOSCOW IMMEDIATE

SECDEF WASH DC IMMEDIATE

CINCPAC HONOLULU HI IMMEDIATE

C O N F I D E N T I A L TOKYO 7003

LIMDIS

CINCPAC ALSO FOR POLAD

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, PINT, US, JA

SUBJECT: PRESS INQUIRY ABOUT ALLEGED FORD-MIKI LETTER

1. YOMIURI SHIMBUN REPORTER TOLD EMBASSY MAY 13 THAT YOMIURI
PLANNED TO PRINT REPORT FROM WASHINGTON COORESPONDENT TO EFFECT
THAT ON SEPTEMBER 8 OR 9, 1976, SHORTLY AFTER SOVIET FIGHTER
PILOT DEFECTED WITH MIG-25, PRESIDENT FORD SENT PRIME MINISTER
MIKI LETTER REQUESTING US EXPERTS' ACCESS TO PLANE. LETTER
ALSO ALLEGEDLY URGED THAT SOVIET FIGHTER BE DISASSEMBLED.
YOMIURI REPORTER SAID REPORT BASED ON ACCOUNTS BY THREE
SEPARATE, BUT UNIDENTIFIED, SOURCES. STATE DEPARTMENT WAS
SAID TO HAVE DECLINED COMMENT.

2. WE HAVE TOLD YOMIURI THAT EMBASSY IS UNAWARE OF LETTER.
FONOFF AND FORMER FONMIN MIYAZAWA HAVE, FONOFF TOLD US,
DENIED EXISTANCE OF LETTER.

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Message Attributes

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Sent Date: 13-May-1977 12:00:00 am
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Decaption Note: 25 YEAR REVIEW
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